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Examiner: Lawrence D. Ferguson

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For: METALLIZABLE WHITE OPAQUE FILMS, METALLIZED FILMS MADE
THEREFROM AND LABELS MADE FROM THE METALLIZED FILMS**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION under 37 CFR 1.111(a) (1)**Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the sole rejection set forth in the non-final Office Action of February 11, 2005. Specifically, applicant requests reconsideration of the rejection of claims 1, 3, 11, 12, 14, 17 and 28 - 33 "under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable of Li et al. (U.S. 6,761,969)" because the Li et al. '969 patent is not an effective reference against this application.

The Li et al. '969 patent issued from Application Serial No. 10/225,007, which was filed on August 21, 2002. In distinction, the present application was filed on February 7, 2001, and claims the benefit of the February 8, 2000 filing date of Provisional Application No. 60/181,036. In other words, the effective filing date of the Li et al. '969 patent, which is the sole reference applied by the Examiner in rejecting the claims, has a filing date which is subsequent to both the

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utility filing date and provisional filing date of the instant application. Therefore, applicant submits that the present rejection must be withdrawn and that this application is now in condition for allowance.


Applicant has neither considered nor addressed the substantive analysis set forth by the Examiner in rejecting the claims because the Li et al. '969 patent is not prior art against the instant application.

Respectfully submitted,

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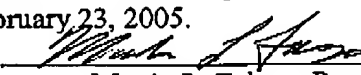
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